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CLARKSBURG, W. VA., TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 1912.

PRICE TWO CENTS

HITCHCOCK FOR PRESIDENT TAFT

FIVE YEARS

Men May Have to Serve in Mines before They Can Get in National Union.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 23.—"To keep the Orville McManis employed by the capitalists from destroying the miners' union," R. M. Roll, of Henderson, Ky., today offered in the United Mine Workers' convention an amendment to their constitution, providing that no man shall be eligible to office in the national organization unless he has been at work in or around a coal mine for five years, and a member of the organization for five years.

"The capitalists employed McManis to destroy the structural iron workers' union, and a man as shrewd might get to the head of the miners' union," said Roll.

THEATRICAL

Troupe Passes through the City Tuesday Enroute to Weston.

Al H. Wilson, the golden voice singer, and his theatrical company which will present "The German Prince" at the Weston theater Tuesday night, passed through the city Tuesday morning. Mr. Wilson and company are traveling in their own private car this season and an additional baggage car is necessary to carry the heavy scenery for the production.

Mr. Wilson and his manager, Sidney R. Ellis, both expressed their disappointment in the fact that the people of Clarksburg were so mistreated as not to have a theater here, and also said that it was a great disappointment to them that they could not give their show here this season, as they always liked Clarksburg people, and that they had an exceptionally good show this year.

SPLIT

In the Democratic Caucus of the House is Expected Late Today.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 23.—The Democratic caucus of the House late today is expected to develop a sharp party division, if Representative Fitzgerald introduces his resolution declaring against the proposed sixteen million dollar public building bill.

LABORER IS JAILED.

Michael Ruch, a foreign laborer of Grassell, was arrested here Tuesday forenoon and put in the county jail by Constable William Post to await a hearing in Justice G. H. Gordon's court on a charge of fighting with another foreigner in that suburb.

BATHTUB OFFICIALS MUST GO TO TRIAL

Judge of the Federal Court Refuses to Quash the Indictments.

DETROIT, Jan. 23.—Judge Angell in the federal district court today denied a motion made in behalf of the Colwell Lead Company to quash indictments in the government's case against the Bathtub trust. Forty defendants are to appear for trial January 30.

Referring in his opinion to the Standard Oil case, Judge Angell said: "I see no reason to suppose in delivering its opinion in the Standard Oil case the supreme court of the United States intended to render impossible criminal prosecutions under the Sherman act, and I am unable to conclude that it did render them impossible."

BROUGHT TO HOSPITAL.

Constable William A. Johnson, of Brown, brought Mrs. Johnson to a local hospital Tuesday to undergo an operation for a tumor.

As Strong As It is Possible for Any Man to Be He Says.

STORIES ARE DENIED By Him and He Expresses Great Indignation in the Matter.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 23.—"I am for Taft as strong as a man can be," declared Postmaster General Hitchcock today at the White House. "I did not realize until a day or two ago how far these stories of my alleged differences with the President had gone. I probably shall have something to say on the subject."

Mr. Hitchcock manifested great indignation that his loyalty had been questioned.

BRUTAL MURDER

Three Persons Beat Charleston Man over the Head until Death Occurs.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 23.—A brutal murder, revolting in its details, reached a climax today when three persons were arraigned at a preliminary hearing for beating Joseph L. Cook over the head until death occurred. The three under arrest are Mrs. Joseph Cook, wife of the dead man, her mother and Lee Burgess.

A poker and iron rod were used in the murder it is claimed.

SENATOR SUED

Father of Boy in E. S. Baker's Sunday School Class Asks for \$10,000.

BLUEFIELD, Jan. 23.—Abe Witt, of Bramwell, has instituted suit for \$10,000 against E. S. Baker, on behalf of his son, Howard, for whom he claimed alleged damages. It is alleged that Mr. Baker, who is superintendent of a Sunday school at Bramwell, abused his boy and did him harm in the sum sued for. Mr. Baker, who was in the city yesterday, said that he has not yet been served. He claims that he did not do the boy any harm and quoted the mother of the boy, who said on the day following the alleged trouble, that the boy had not been injured, although his feelings had been hurt some.

WINTER REUNION.

The annual mid-winter reunion of the Scottish Rite Masons, will be held at the Scottish Rite cathedral in Wheeling February 5 to 8, when all of the degrees from the fourth to the thirty-second, inclusive, will be conferred.

FIRE FIEND

Starts a Blaze That Sweeps a West Virginia Town.

NORTH FORK, W. Va., Jan. 23.—Fire of unknown origin started in the plat of the Flat Top Ice and Storage Company and destroyed the main part of the mining town on the Norfolk and Western railway in McDowell county, causing a loss of about \$200,000.

The town has no fire-fighting apparatus, and the fire burned itself out. Practically every house between the Norfolk and Western

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MOORE WILL FILED.

The will of the late Alexander C. Moore has been filed for probate. Mrs. Mary Moore is named as executrix.

YOU'VE GOT TO HAND IT TO BLANCHE RING • FOR HER AUTOMATIC PRESS AGENT CAME

HAPPY is Blanche Ring, for she has invented the automatic double-action six-cylinder mechanical press-agent which works simultaneously at two theaters and turns out free advertising.

In St. Louis, where she was to come this week in "The Wall Street Girl," she learned that the Garrick theater, where she was booked, had reduced prices to meet a popular demand. Whereupon Blanche, a Mrs. Napoleon when it comes to seeing opportunities, cried with a loud voice: "What? Me for a bargain counter? Not I. Never! Cancel the engagement. Book me at another theater and then let 'em fight it out. A plague on both houses, say I, with Mercutio. Then the harder they fight, the oftener we'll get our names in the papers."

So there began a large wind jamming competition for the exploitation of Blanche Ring. There were writs and injunctions, suits and what not, with all the big theatrical guns in New York dragged into the mess and appeals by both sides to the highest tribunal in the state.

"There's no use talking. You've got to hand it to Blanche."

Rightly she was paying in "The Wall Street Girl," for she has Wall Street itself beaten to a frazzle in the game of art of bulling and conning the stock that spells big dividends.



ENDEAVORERS TO HOLD CONVENTION

MR. KIDWELL

Dies at the Home of His Parents at Great Capon, of Typhoid Fever.

A. M. Kidwell, of this city, died at the home of his parents at Great Capon Tuesday morning as a result of typhoid fever. Mr. and Mrs. Kidwell went there to spend Christmas and he was taken ill upon his arrival there. Mrs. Kidwell was at his bedside, when he died.

Mr. Kidwell was a son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan G. Bartlett, of this city, his wife being their daughter, Verna, a well known and popular school teacher before her marriage. He was manager of the wholesale grocery house of the J. C. Orrick and Son Company, of Grafton, but had been transferred to this territory and would have been working here had he not become ill. He was 30 years of age and a splendid business man with a wide circle of friends.

Funeral arrangements have not been announced.

PIERCE ENTERS

Race in the Fourteenth Senatorial District for the Nomination.

KEYSER, Jan. 23.—Attorney C. C. Pierce, of Kingwood, has been in Keyser in conference with Mineral county politicians, and he has announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for state senator from the Fourteenth district to succeed J. W. Flynn who will not be a candidate for re-election. The only other known candidate at this time is A. Bliss McCrum, also of Preston county, who served two years in the state legislature as a delegate.

In the Presbyterian Church at Grafton the Last of This Week.

The annual convention of the Grafton district Christian Endeavor Union will be held Friday and Saturday in the Presbyterian church at Grafton and several persons will attend from Clarksburg. The following program has been prepared:

Friday Afternoon.
2:30—Song service.
Devotional—The Rev. G. W. Morrison.
3:00—Address of welcome—Dr. J. H. Flanagan.
3:15—Reply—The Rev. F. J. Briggs.
3:30—What Christian Endeavor Needs in Grafton district—The Rev. George W. Pollock.
4:00—Appointment of committees. Adjournment.

Friday Evening.
7:30—Song service.
Devotional—The Rev. C. N. Jarrett.
8:00—Address—Daniel A. Polling.
9:00—Reception Local committee.
Saturday Morning.
9:00—Quiet hour service—The Rev. J. A. McClellan.
9:30—Workers' conference—Daniel A. Polling.
10:20—Christian Endeavor Missions in West Virginia—Miss Violet Rich.
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ROOSEVELT

Headquarters Will Be Opened in the City of Chicago to Get Delegates.

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—Arrangements were completed today to open headquarters for the purpose of assisting in the election of delegates who favor Col. Roosevelt for President. They will be in charge of former federal District Attorney Edwin W. Simms.

MINSTREL MEN DEAD

As One Result of a Train Wreck at An Early Hour of Day.

OTHERS OF COMPANY

In the Smashup on the Rail Are Reported Badly Injured.

BINGHAMPTON, N. Y., Jan. 23.—George F. Kelley, of Claremont, N. H.; and F. C. Hayes, of Indianapolis, members of a minstrel company, died today in a hospital here as a result of injuries sustained in a wreck on the Lackawanna railroad at Chenango Forks, near here, early today.

James Conray, of Bridgeport, Conn.; Carl Helman, of Dayton, O.; and Engineer Curran, of Syracuse, N. Y., were badly hurt.

THIEF ENTERS

Police Station and Takes Pair of Gloves from Chief's Overcoat Pocket.

While the regular session of police court was going on Tuesday morning, some unknown person entered the police station and stole a pair of gloves out of Chief of Police Harry L. Brooks's overcoat. The monetary value of the gloves is not what bothers the chief but the fact that they were a Christmas gift to him from a dear friend makes him feel bad over the loss. All the members of the force are keeping a close watch for the gloves today and as all the people who were in the station are known, the guilty party should better return the gloves to save trouble.

WOMAN STRANDED

Italian Woman with Two Children, Deserted by Husband, Are on Way Here.

WHEELING, Jan. 23.—Deserted by her husband, an Italian woman and two small children, who can not speak English, arrived in this city last night from Pittsburgh, and when they left the Baltimore and Ohio train did not have a cent. They were all hungry and were taken care of by local people for the night. The woman made it known that she was trying to reach Clarksburg, where she has relatives.

REVIVAL CLOSES.

The revival meetings in the Duff street United Brethren church at Stealey Heights held by the Rev. H. R. Hess for four weeks closed Monday night. There were forty professions. The Rev. Mr. Hess will begin special meetings in the Northview United Brethren church Sunday night.

HENRY WATTERSON CHOICE OF KENTUCKY

ANNUAL

Meetings Are Held by Stockholders and Directors of Home Bank.

Shareholders and directors of the Home Bank for Savings held their annual meetings Tuesday in the bank's rooms on Third street opposite the postoffice.

The shareholders elected the following board of directors: J. W. Williams, W. T. Byrd, John Koblegard, Thomas Coleman, Jr., John H. Clifford, Homer W. Williams, John L. Ruhl, Dorsey W. Cork, J. W. Tracy, W. Guy Tetrick and P. H. Koblegard. Messrs. Coleman, Cork and Tetrick are new members of the board. There were two vacancies on the board this year, one caused by the death of Michael J. Francis and the other by the removal from this section of Rupert H. Koblegard, now

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LOCAL RAILROAD NOW PROJECTED

LIABILITY BILL

Being Framed at Meeting of Employers' Liability Commission at Capital.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 23.—For the purpose of framing a report to the next legislature in the matter of an employers' liability or laborers' compensation law, the commission appointed by the last regular session of the legislature met here yesterday afternoon. At the present meeting it is expected that a bill to be offered at the next session of the legislature will be drawn.

The commission consists of the following: Senator A. C. McIntire, of Berkeley Springs, chairman; Dr. P. B. Reynolds, of Morgantown, secretary; Isaac T. Mann, of Bramwell; T. E. Houston, of Elkhorn; M. T. Davis, of Charleston; C. W. Brockunier, of Wheeling; Ben Davis, of Montgomery; William F. Welch, of Wheeling; I. V. Barton, state labor commissioner, of Wheeling; State Senator James W. Flynn, of Kingwood; John C. Dice, of Lewisburg; G. W. McCauley, of Huntington, the last three being members of the house of delegates.

CORRUPTION

Charges against Senators Are Now Being Read by Senator Root.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Senator Root admitted last night that he was perusing papers relating to alleged corruption participated in by Senators Chilton and Watson in order to gain their election to the Senate last winter. "Until I have time to give the subject careful thought and review documents relating to the matter that I have in my possession I cannot say what course I shall pursue," said the New York senator.

Persistent reports are circulated in reference to the charges of corruption, but there will probably be no definite information on the matter for several weeks.

NEW CHAPTER

Opened in Black Hand Outrages by the Burning of a Factory.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 23.—Fire in the macaroni factory of Salvatore Viviano here today did much damage and opened a new chapter in a series of Black Hand outrages, which have kept the police busy since last Friday.

Baltimore and Ohio May Build Line from Grassell to Mt. Clare.

OPTIONS ARE TAKEN

For Rights of Way to Hold Good for the Next Ninety Days.

MT. CLARE, Jan. 23.—According to reports, which are given little credence here, the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company is planning to build a road between this place and Clarksburg, by way of Coal Branch, which is to be reached by a tunnel about one mile in length, and make connections with the company's tracks at Grassell. The survey was made several months ago and representatives of the railroad company are here from Baltimore trying to procure rights of way. The options are being taken for ninety days and it is promised that within that time arrangements for the construction of the line will be completed.

The proposed road will connect with the West Virginia and Pittsburgh division one-fourth mile south of Byron station, and take a north-eastern course through the property of Mrs. Olive Bond, John Duffy, Earl Rogers, G. F. Rogers, I. F. Maxwell, D. W. Cork, William Hamford's heirs, Mrs. Nannie Davison and the heirs of Benjamin Stout, of Hoop Pole.

This route carries the road through the most important section of Mt. Clare, and if built, it will be necessary to raise eight or ten residence and business buildings, not to mention the damage that will be done by the excavations. The general impression here is that it is not the intention to build the road to Clarksburg, but the real promoters of the scheme are the owners of the coal under the lands of Hamford heirs and heir of Benjamin Stout, who desire a sidetrack to develop their property, and that the railroad officials are making the negotiations for the right of way, so that if necessary, the right to enter condemnation proceedings may be invoked.

The proposition is not being accepted with favor here, and until the real object is ascertained, there will be strong resistance on the part of those concerned.

ON TRIAL

Is the Suit of Hornor and others against Vance and Others.

The suit of J. Y. Hornor, of Parkersburg, and others against J. Carl Vance and others involving the will of the late Mrs. Mary B. Goff and the property disposed of by it was still on trial in the circuit court Tuesday afternoon.

An amended bill was filed in the suit of Ota Frick against Henry G. Frick and the case was remanded to rules.

DEATH

Of Mrs. Truman J. Lynch's Father Occurs at Eddyville in Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman J. Lynch received a message Monday evening informing them of the death of Gervais Fats, Mrs. Lynch's father, at his home at Eddyville, Ia., Monday morning, and they left on the midnight train for Eddyville to attend the funeral.

Mr. Fats was 80 years of age and his death was caused by old age. His aged wife, one son and four daughters survive him.

MINER KILLED.

FAIRMONT, Jan. 23.—John Terri, a miner at Richards, Monongalia county, died at the Miners' hospital last night. He was a motorman and a tripper ran away with him. He fell under the cars and was terribly mangled.